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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,
Applicant hereby calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-56268, which was published on
February 25, 2000, together with an English language translation of the same. Applicant
notes that this document is mentioned on page 2 of the specification of the present
application;

Japanese Patent No. 2840619, which issued on October 23, 1998, together with an
English language translation of the same. Applicant notes that this document is
mentioned on page 4 of the specification of the present application; and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0080826 to NOGUCHI, which was
published on April 29, 2004.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the
requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent application

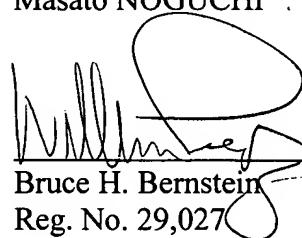
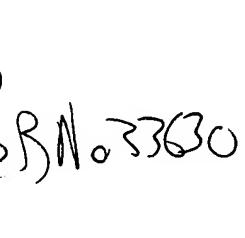
publication is not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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